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Reports from cold storage warehouses and meat packing plants to the War Food Administration indicate that the cold storage situation on September 1, 1943 was as follows:

There were substantial increases over August 1 stocks for frozen fruits and vegetables, butter, cheese, frozen poultry, frozen and cured beef, frozen lamb and mutton and lard, while holdings of eggs (shell and frozen) frozen and cured pork and trimmings were reduced.

The net into-storage movement of frozen fruits during August, while somewhat heavier than average, left a deficiency on September 1, 1943 as compared with a year earlier, but slightly heavier stocks than the 5-year (1938-42) average for September 1. The accumulation of frozen vegetable stocks during the month was much heavier than average and the September 1 holdings were considerably above those of a year earlier and the average.

Creamery butter stocks on September 1, 1943 reached an all time record. Cheese holdings increased during August and were well below those of a year earlier, but above average.

The increase in frozen poultry stocks noted for July continued during August, but September 1 holdings were well below those of a year earlier and the average.

Frozen and cured beef holdings were somewhat above those of a year ago and substantially heavier than the 5-year average stocks for this date.

Frozen and cured pork stocks declined during August but September 1 holdings were significantly above those of a year earlier and the average. Lard and rendered pork fats increased slightly during August and September 1 stocks were well above those of a year earlier and the 5-year average.

Occupancy of refrigerated space for the United States was 77 percent for coolers and 87 percent for freezers compared with 77 and 83 percent respectively for August 1.

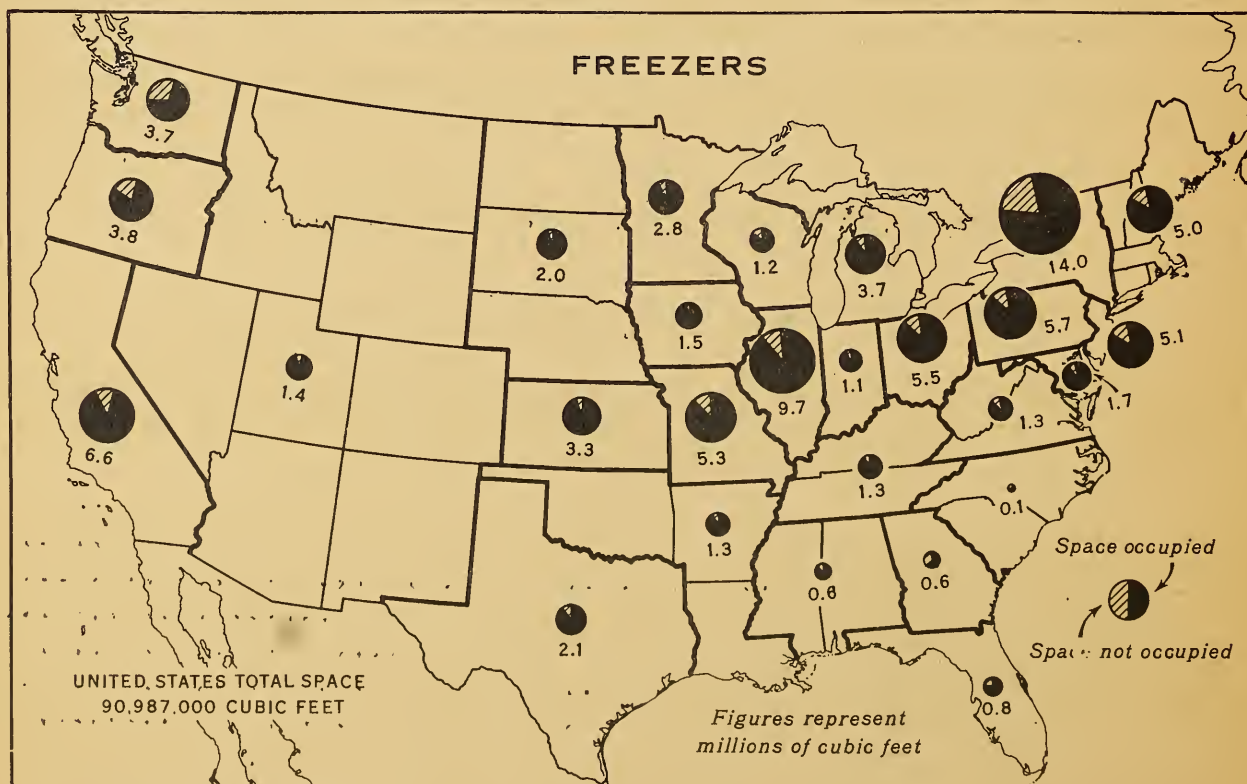
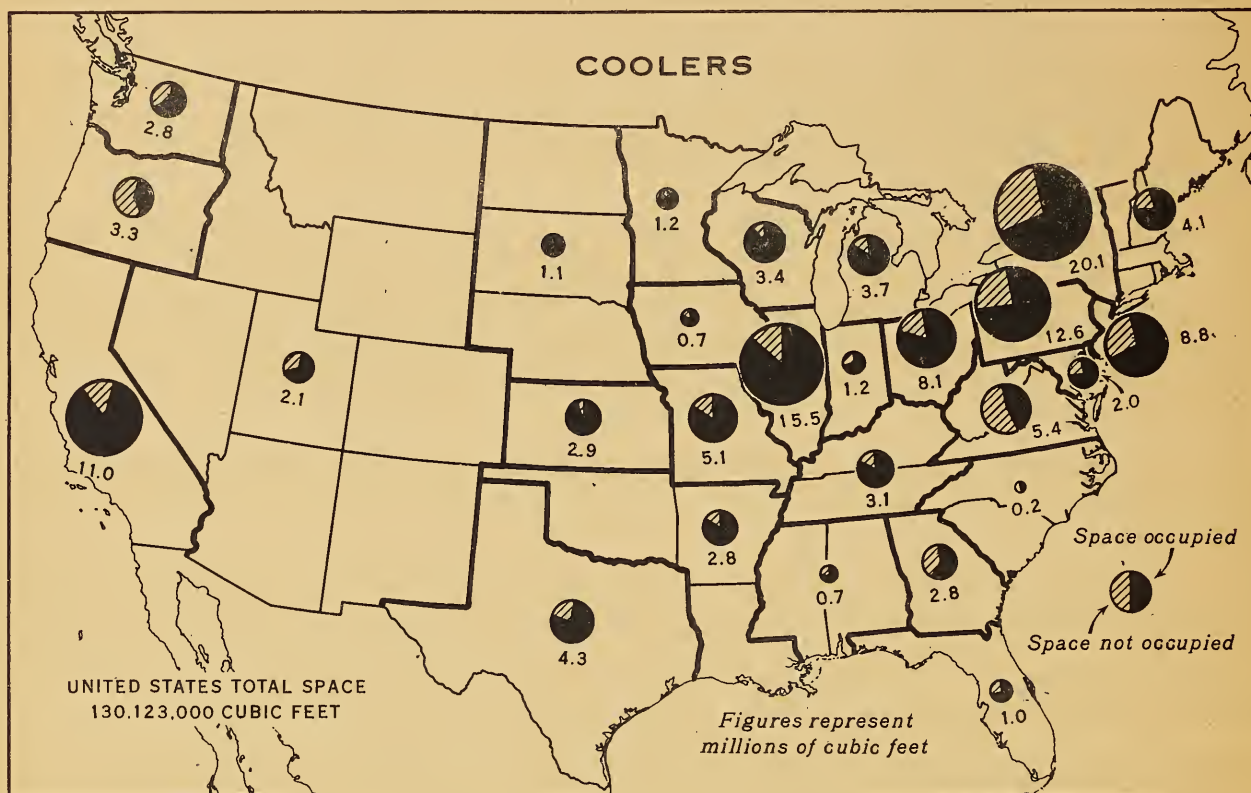
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NET PILING SPACE AND PERCENTAGE OF SPACE OCCUPIED IN
COOLERS AND FREEZERS IN PUBLIC COLD-STORAGE WAREHOUSES,
OTHER THAN APPLE HOUSES, ON SEPTEMBER 1, 1943



**NET PILING SPACE AND PERCENTAGE OF SPACE OCCUPIED IN COOLERS
AND FREEZERS IN PUBLIC COLD STORAGE WAREHOUSES OTHER THAN
APPLE HOUSES, ON AUGUST 1, AND SEPTEMBER 1, 1942 AND 1943**

State or Geographic Division	Net Piling Space 1/		Percentage of Space Occupied 2/							
	Cooler	Freezer	August 1, 1942		Sept. 1, 1942		August 1, 1943		Sept. 1, 1943 3/	
			Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer
	Thousand Cubic Feet		Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
NEW ENGLAND.....	4,095	5,003	64	76	64	89	76	82	79	87
New York.....	20,142	13,970	62	69	60	70	72	72	72	80
New Jersey.....	8,813	5,100	82	72	67	70	82	82	71	87
Pennsylvania.....	12,601	5,665	61	70	65	72	71	83	76	90
MIDDLE ATLANTIC.....	41,556	24,735	66	70	63	70	73	77	72	84
Ohio.....	8,054	5,532	77	76	71	76	88	89	82	90
Indiana.....	1,207	1,085	55	71	62	72	75	90	72	94
Illinois.....	15,513	9,696	86	76	80	80	87	89	87	90
Michigan.....	3,692	3,696	80	73	83	76	81	93	86	92
Wisconsin.....	3,406	1,210	89	82	89	75	87	88	90	88
EAST NORTH CENTRAL.....	31,872	21,219	82	76	79	78	86	87	86	90
Minnesota.....	1,205	2,755	88	84	86	75	93	98	87	92
Iowa.....	667	1,533	81	82	73	78	82	98	82	98
Missouri.....	5,137	5,262	85	71	81	68	91	88	85	89
No. & So. Dak. & Nebr.....	1,113	1,984	89	90	93	91	92	93	95	95
Kansas.....	2,871	3,264	90	75	90	93	99	98	95	95
WEST NORTH CENTRAL.....	10,993	14,798	86	77	84	79	93	93	88	93
Del., Md. & D. C.....	2,043	1,663	79	84	81	84	79	87	77	93
Virginia and W. Virginia..	5,441	1,297	43	81	41	81	52	88	46	90
No. & So. Carolina.....	248	93	34	78	21	46	74	86	49	86
Georgia.....	2,761	647	48	69	70	72	64	65	61	65
Florida.....	1,000	757	78	84	76	83	82	71	74	81
SOUTH ATLANTIC.....	11,493	4,457	53	81	54	80	64	81	58	86
Kentucky & Tennessee.....	3,072	1,272	84	84	80	81	89	94	84	95
Alabama & Mississippi.....	748	625	96	93	94	90	91	92	73	90
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL.....	3,820	1,897	87	88	83	84	87	93	82	93
Ark., La. & Okla.....	2,818	1,266	89	88	88	90	88	91	85	94
Texas.....	4,333	2,095	73	80	71	81	78	90	80	90
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL.....	7,151	3,361	79	83	77	85	81	90	82	91
MOUNTAIN.....	2,059	1,445	73	94	66	77	74	92	68	93
Washington.....	2,847	3,702	63	69	63	76	64	72	64	71
Oregon.....	3,275	3,753	43	60	48	70	34	69	40	81
California.....	10,962	6,617	40	72	74	79	71	82	86	89
PACIFIC.....	17,084	14,072	44	68	68	75	63	75	77	81
UNITED STATES.....	130,123	90,987	4/69	4/74	4/70	4/77	4/77	4/83	4/77	4/87

1/ Reported to the Department of Agriculture as of June 16, 1941.

2/ Percentages for the periods covered here were made as comparable as possible.

3/ Preliminary.

4/ Weighted average of the occupancy for geographic divisions using the corresponding net piling space as weights.

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

Frozen and preserved fruits held in cold storage in the United States on September 1, 1943 totaled 180,206,000 pounds. This quantity is 27.6 million pounds less than that on hand on September 1 a year ago, but 4 million pounds greater than the 5-year (1938-42) average for that date. The net increase during August was 18.2 million pounds compared with 21.8 million for August 1942 and 11.8 million pounds for the average.

Frozen vegetable stocks were 128.6 million pounds, an increase during the month of 28.6 million pounds. The September 1, 1943 holdings exceeded those of a year earlier by 26.4 million and the average by 49 million pounds. The into-storage movement during August was more than twice that of the same period a year ago and two and one half times that of the average.

(See table on page 8 for September 1, 1943 holdings by geographic divisions)

Commodity	Sept. 1 5-yr. av. 1938-1942	Sept. 1 1942	August 1 1943	Sept. 1 1943
- Thousands -				
FRUITS, FROZEN				
Blackberries.....pounds....	7,214	6,680	5,959	7,751
Blueberries.....".....	3,678	5,786	2,265	7,150
Cherries.....".....	35,572	47,981	28,505	26,882
Young and similar berries.....".....	4,600	6,401	5,355	5,551
Raspberries.....".....	15,982	20,850	18,814	21,750
Strawberries.....".....	52,562	52,961	34,809	32,418
Other fruits.....".....	19,795	31,612	39,796	46,915
Classification not reported....".....	36,792	35,496	26,531	31,789
Total.....".....	176,195	207,767	162,034	180,206
VEGETABLES, FROZEN				
Asparagus.....pounds....	6,465	7,344	5,775	5,303
Beans, lima.....".....	9,945	12,314	4,067	4,521
Beans, snap.....".....	6,710	8,576	3,030	10,930
Broccoli, green.....".....	774	733	783	772
Corn, Sweet.....".....	5,237	4,844	1,326	2,339
Peas, green.....".....	38,306	50,858	38,669	49,141
Spinach.....".....	3,309	4,908	7,144	6,988
Other vegetables.....".....	2,714	3,404	10,211	10,317
Classification not reported....".....	6,086	9,205	29,061	38,323
Total.....".....	79,546	102,186	100,066	128,634

DAIRY AND POULTRY PRODUCTS

Increases in stocks of manufactured dairy products were again substantial during the month of August.

Creamery butter stocks were 231,359,000 pounds on September 1, 1943, the heaviest stocks on record for any past period. Holdings exceeded those of a year earlier by 79,161,000 pounds and the 5-year (1938-42) average by 59,206,000 pounds. Cheese stocks increased by 26,355,000 pounds. However, the 209,322,000 pounds on hand on September 1 were 70,583,000 pounds less than that a year earlier but 31,277,000 pounds above average.

Egg stocks were reduced during the month by the equivalent of 1,308,000 cases which left a total equivalent of both shell and frozen eggs on September 1 of 9,106,000 cases. This is 2,630,000 cases more than the September 1, 1942 holdings and 5,448,000 cases more than average. Frozen poultry stocks increased during August. September 1 holdings of 54,717,000 pounds were 31,928,000 pounds less than those of a year earlier and 19,684,000 below average.

Included in the reported figure are 138,583,000 and 26,157,000 pounds of butter and 52,512,000 and 51,765,000 pounds of cheese held respectively by DPMA and FSOC and FD.. FSOC also held 123,000 cases of shell eggs.

(See table on page 8 for September 1, 1943 holdings by geographic divisions)

Commodity	September 1 5-year ave. 1938-1942	September 1 1942	August 1 1943	September 1 1943
- Thousands -				
CREAM40-qt. cans	275	242	593	501
BUTTER				
Creamery, total.....pounds.....	172,153	152,198	210,546	231,359
DPMA holdings....."	18,587	3,091	122,295	138,583
FDA and FSOC holdings....."	3,989	4,770	26,992	26,157
*Other stocks....."	149,577	144,337	61,252	66,619
CHEESE				
American, total.....pounds.....	150,841	243,596	150,245	173,008
DPMA holdings....."			42,431	52,512
FDA and FSOC holdings....."		94,978	8,218	51,765
*Other stocks....."	130,787	148,618	99,596	68,731
Swiss including block....."	5,942	5,705	2,252	2,443
Brick and Munster....."	1,051	516	651	498
Limburger....."	1,242	1,044	455	345
All other varieties....."	18,969	29,044	29,364	33,028
TOTAL CHEESE....."	178,045	279,905	182,967	209,322
EGGS				
Shell, total.....cases.....	6,533	6,751	8,578	** 7,529
Frozen, total.....pounds.....	174,529	272,042	351,169	341,491
Frozen 1/.....equivalent cases.....	4,654	7,254	9,365	9,106
TOTAL EGGS 2/.....cases.....	11,187	14,005	17,943	16,635
FROZEN POULTRY				
Broilers.....pounds.....	8,346	7,857	2,930	5,793
Fryers....."	3,743	5,830	3,253	5,363
Roasters....."	5,969	7,650	3,862	7,305
Fowls....."	16,325	22,725	10,960	15,591
Turkeys....."	12,346	12,132	5,510	5,113
Ducks....."	10,707	9,216	2,174	3,250
Miscellaneous poultry....."	16,965	13,468	6,951	8,808
Unclassified poultry....."		7,767	3,211	3,494
TOTAL FROZEN POULTRY....."	74,401	86,645	38,851	54,717

* Includes stocks which may be set aside for future delivery to government agencies, stocks held for Army and Navy and some commercially held on which no specific information is available.

1/ Frozen eggs are converted on the basis of 37.5 pounds to the case.

2/ SPECIAL NOTE: 82 percent of total frozen eggs reported as of September 1, 1943, were classified as follows: Whites 15 percent; yolks 9 percent; and mixed 76 percent.

** Includes 123,000 cases held by FSOC.

MEATS AND LARD

Frozen and cured meat holdings in total showed a 35.5 million pound net reduction during August. Beef stocks increased by 13.4 million and frozen lamb and mutton by 4.1 million pounds, but pork cuts and trimmings were reduced by an aggregate of 52.9 million pounds. Total beef on hand on September 1, 1943, was 101.5 million pounds which quantity is 18.2 million greater than that of September 1, 1942 and 50.7 million above the 5-year (1938-42) average.

Pork stocks totaling 495.4 million pounds exceeded those of a year ago by 158.7 million and the average by 108.4 million pounds. Lard and rendered pork fat holdings were increased during the month by 20 million pounds. The 261 million pounds on hand was 175.7 million heavier than that of a year ago and 86.4 million pounds above average.

Included in the totals shown in the tables below are 82,338,000 pounds of cured pork cuts and 148,398,000 pounds of lard and rendered pork fat held by FDA and FSOC in storages outside of processors' hands.

(See table on page 8 for September 1, 1943 holdings by geographic divisions)

Commodity	Sept. 1 5-yr. av. 1938-1942	Sept. 1 1942	August 1 1943	Sept. 1 1943
- Thousand pounds -				
BEEF				
Frozen.....	38,768	69,211	79,618	91,502
In cure and cured.....	12,019	14,077	8,428	9,949
Total Beef.....	50,787	83,288	88,046	101,451
PORK				
Frozen.....	119,876	94,884	204,244	179,335
Dry salt in cure and cured.....	87,534	97,706	161,733	157,893
Pickled in cure and cured.....	179,594	144,044	178,320	158,132
Total Pork.....	387,004	336,634	544,297	495,360
LAMB AND MUTTON				
Frozen.....	3,684	7,602	9,660	13,713
TRIMMINGS AND EDIBLE OFFAL.....				
Frozen and cured.....	71,745	93,748	115,525	111,541
TOTAL MEATS.....	513,220	521,272	757,528	1,722,065
LARD.....	174,527	75,840	212,543	1,227,623
RENDERED PORK FAT.....	2/	9,434	28,407	33,350

1/ Included in the above figures are 82,338,000 pounds of cured pork cuts and 148,398,000 pounds of lard and rendered pork fat held by FDA and FSOC in storage outside of processors hands.

2/ Previously included with lard.

DAIRY AND POULTRY HOLDINGS BY STATES

STATE	Cream (40-qt. cans.	Butter lbs.	American Cheese lbs.	Shell Eggs cases	Frozen Eggs lbs.	Total Poultry lbs.
- Thousands -						
Massachusetts.....	26	4,292	7,618	81	493	2,587
Other States.....		662	2,463	29	5,890	378
NEW ENGLAND.....		4,954	10,081	110	6,383	2,965
New York.....	262	12,015	18,542	426	13,673	7,700
New Jersey.....	20	22,039	4,071	326	8,903	6,052
Pennsylvania.....	33	10,104	7,333	265	12,928	1,664
MIDDLE ATLANTIC.....		44,158	29,946	1,017	35,504	15,416
Ohio.....	19	10,355	4,207	303	9,750	2,923
Indiana.....		3,066	239	81	6,826	236
Illinois.....	23	58,459	13,243	1,697	43,964	9,426
Michigan.....	12	7,713	5,338	221	5,612	1,409
Wisconsin.....	22	3,802	69,636	201	5,411	772
EAST NORTH CENTRAL.....		83,395	92,663	2,503	71,563	14,766
Minnesota.....	23	15,750	2,174	265	25,159	1,274
Iowa.....	4	6,148	7	142	32,393	644
Missouri.....	8	16,236	9,095	573	53,075	3,822
Nebraska.....		7,868	308	196	25,217	5,374
Kansas.....		8,169	3,315	438	21,152	1,065
Dakotas.....		862	-	-	2,427	25
WEST NORTH CENTRAL.....		55,033	14,899	1,614	159,423	12,204
SOUTH ATLANTIC.....		1,075	3,008	125	5,474	1,717
Kentucky.....		378	784	86	2,523	403
Tennessee.....		2,470	1,530	317	3,930	360
Alabama & Mississippi.....		338	582	61	269	604
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL.....		3,186	2,896	464	6,722	1,367
Oklahoma.....		1,796	1,069	137	6,793	222
Texas.....	5	2,531	3,911	462	30,720	820
Arkansas & Louisiana.....		653	291	44	2,833	896
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL.....		4,980	5,271	643	40,346	1,938
Colorado.....		1,456	367	100	1,233	375
Other States.....		1,779	2,257	114	1,638	288
MOUNTAIN.....		3,235	2,624	214	2,871	663
Washington.....		6,333	424	223	3,115	1,037
Oregon.....		4,957	1,149	130	789	756
California.....	24	20,053	10,047	486	9,301	1,888
PACIFIC.....		31,343	11,620	839	13,205	3,681
Other States..... (Combined for cream only).....	20					
UNITED STATES.....	501	231,359	173,008	7,529	341,491	54,717

COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS, SEPTEMBER 1, 1943 BY GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS

Commodity	New England	Middle Atlantic	East North Central	West North Central	South Atlantic	East South Central	West South Central	Mountain	Pacific	Total
- Thousands -										
<u>FRUITS, FROZEN</u>										
Blackberries.....pounds.....	125	1,153	950	1,409	1,134	532	717	2	1,729	7,751
Blueberries....."	2,841	1,800	2,094	132	200	1	-	2	80	7,150
Cherries....."	114	12,941	7,889	982	469	59	179	1,656	2,593	26,882
Young, Logan and similar berries....."	34	50	835	148	52	51	22	11	4,348	5,551
Raspberries....."	1,406	5,114	3,859	1,266	216	31	114	8	9,736	21,750
Strawberries....."	1,812	8,074	6,318	3,916	2,399	1,087	1,847	162	6,893	32,418
Other fruits....."	890	23,762	15,025	3,981	2,056	2,048	2,038	3,032	25,872	78,704
<u>DAIRY PRODUCTS</u>										
Cream.....40-qt. cans.....	29	316	77	36	8	4	5	2	24	501
Butter, creamery.....pounds.....	4,954	44,158	83,395	55,033	1,075	3,186	4,980	3,235	31,343	231,259
Cheese, American.....pounds.....	10,081	29,946	92,663	14,899	3,008	2,896	5,271	2,624	11,620	173,008
Cheese, Swiss including block....."	-	749	1,301	79	55	3	24	20	212	2,443
Cheese, brick and Munster....."	-	14	376	87	7	3	11	-	-	498
Cheese, Limburger....."	-	143	188	3	-	1	2	-	8	345
Cheese, all other varieties....."	776	9,541	12,717	1,957	131	5,325	215	1,354	1,012	33,028
Eggs, shell.....cases.....	110	1,017	2,503	1,614	125	464	643	214	832	7,529
Eggs, frozen.....pounds.....	6,383	35,504	71,563	159,423	5,474	6,722	40,346	2,871	13,205	341,491
<u>FROZEN POULTRY</u>										
Broilers.....pounds.....	387	1,215	1,406	2,194	212	48	45	157	129	5,793
Fryers....."	110	1,006	1,615	2,073	264	46	87	13	149	5,363
Roasters....."	616	2,403	2,804	1,233	48	-	90	29	82	7,305
Fowls....."	753	3,550	5,080	4,092	485	200	507	120	804	15,591
Turkeys....."	576	1,060	870	411	186	13	242	150	1,605	5,113
Ducks....."	151	2,699	238	52	74	2	-	1	33	3,250
Miscellaneous poultry....."	321	3,318	2,260	1,284	324	489	462	11	339	8,808
Unclassified poultry....."	51	165	493	865	124	569	505	182	540	3,494
<u>MEATS AND LARD</u>										
Beef, frozen.....pounds.....	6,471	24,791	20,199	16,758	3,285	598	6,171	2,022	11,207	91,502
Beef, in cure and cured....."	53	814	4,719	3,592	156	74	263	156	118	9,949
Pork, frozen.....pounds.....	5,799	25,792	62,043	62,816	5,545	3,304	6,883	2,843	4,310	179,335
Pork, dry salt in cure and cured....."	5,485	8,747	78,314	57,674	3,121	720	1,899	1,216	720	157,893
Pork, pickled in cure and cured....."	4,237	9,785	47,823	73,208	4,422	1,980	7,623	3,938	5,109	158,132
Lamb and mutton, frozen.....pounds.....	999	3,074	4,221	2,945	427	34	1,386	117	570	13,713
Frozen and cured trimmings and edible offal.....pounds.....	5,653	21,961	37,166	29,090	9,513	1,304	2,419	1,131	3,304	111,541
Lard.....pounds.....	8,947	73,304	93,638	31,121	7,089	1,765	3,592	3,139	5,028	227,623
Rendered pork fat.....pounds.....	1,780	2,722	19,603	7,884	460	56	353	77	415	33,350

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